

House Human Services Committee Legislation/Transmittal Deadlines -- 2011

Transmittal Deadlines

The joint House and Senate rules establish a number of deadlines, both for requesting legislation and for transmitting legislation from one chamber to the other.

To meet the transmittal deadlines for the various types of legislation, committees must finish up work on the bills several days in advance of each deadline, so the bills can be processed out of committee, printed for the floor, and go through second and third readings.

Both chambers typically meet in full-day floor sessions during the three days before the **February 24 deadline** for transmittal of general bills. Committee work on general bills usually needs to be completed by the Friday before transmittal week, unless the committee decides to meet on the Saturday before transmittal week.

To meet the **April 1 deadline** for transmitting amendments to Senate bills, the committee needs to complete action at least three days before the transmittal deadline on all bills that will be amended.

Because both chambers typically meet in longer floor sessions during the transmittal deadlines for spending and taxation bills, the regular meeting times for committees may be shortened in the days leading up to these deadlines. That may necessitate shorter hearings or additional meeting dates to meet the deadlines.

Following is a summary of the various transmittal deadlines.

Bill Type	Legislative Day	Date	Suggested Last Date for Committee Action
General Bills or Resolutions	45	Feb. 24	Feb. 18
Appropriation Bills	67	March 25	March 18
Revenue Bills	71	March 30	March 25
Amendments to General Bills	73	April 1	March 25
Amendments to Appropriation Bills	80	April 9	April 1
Amendments to Revenue Bills	82	April 12	April 6
Interim Study Resolutions	85	April 15	April 8

Deadlines for Requesting Bills

All bill-drafting requests must be submitted by 5 p.m. on the legislative day noted.

Bill Type	Legislative Day	Date
General Bills and Resolutions	12	Jan. 17
Revenue Bills	17	Jan. 22
Committee Bills and Resolutions	36	Feb. 14
Committee Revenue Bills	62	March 19
Committee Bills Implementing Provisions of a General Appropriations Act	75	April 4
Interim Study Resolutions*	75	April 4
Appropriation Bills	No deadline	
Resolutions Expressing Confirmation of Appointments	No deadline	
Bills/Resolutions Involving the Amendment or Adoption of Administrative Rules	No deadline	

*Typically, a committee request for an interim study could be submitted up until this date.